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TELEGRAMS.

THE WAR.

MONTENEGRIN REVERSE.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, November 16.
An official message from Constantinople reports that seven battalions of Montenegrins while advancing towards the heights of Kakarik, near Scutari, were repulsed and fled beyond Boyana, abandoning 100 killed.

TURKS ROUTED.

A message from Rieka says there was fierce fighting on Friday before San Giovanni and Dimecia. Three thousand Turks were driven back in disorder.

THE ALLIES AND PEACE.

A message from Reuter's correspondent at Sofia states that it is understood that the peace conditions of the Allies, in reply to Turkey's direct overtures, will be formulated without delay and presented to Turkey for acceptance or rejection as a whole. The Allies do not intend to permit Turkey to gain valuable time by wrangling over terms, and unless the latter be accepted within twenty-four hours, hostilities will be resumed with the utmost vigour. By prompt acceptance Turkey may possibly avoid the entry of the Bulgarians into Constantinople. It is believed that Bulgaria does not object to Turkey retaining Constantinople and the Dardanelles.

OUTPOST SKIRMISHES.

There are many rumours in Sofia regarding the situation at Chataldja. One newspaper reports severe fighting and the capture of six forts, two of which are most important, with heavy losses, but it is officially declared that up to the present no serious engagement has taken place, but merely outpost skirmishes and the capture of three villages before the lines, north, south and centre. King Ferdinand is now at Kirk Kiliseh, but is reported to be preparing to start for Chataldja. The railway is now in full operation from Kirk Kiliseh to Tchorkestekeu, the second station from Chataldja.

IMAGINARY STORIES.

It is beginning to be understood that the history of the war will have to be considerably reconstituted. The "Rei-hpost's" accounts of the tremendous battles after Luleburgas and the furious pursuits to the Chataldja lines appear to be largely imaginary. The special correspondents are now pointing out that the Bulgarians were strangely dilatory after the victory at Luleburgas and missed an exceptional opportunity of destroying the enemy. Nevertheless, the fact alone that Turkey has applied for an armistice confirms the belief that she is dangerously weakened and cannot sustain a prolonged defence.

A POPULAR PRINCE.

Reuter's correspondent at Belgrade telegraphs that the Serbian Crown Prince, who is proceeding to Monastir, arrested his progress at Prilep en route, and was given a most enthusiastic reception, the inhabitants of the town strewing flowers in his path.

WITH THE GREEKS.

The Greek fleet has occupied the peninsula of Osmunt, in Athos. Fighting has commenced outside Monastir, but a decisive battle may be delayed by the floods, which are impeding the movements of the troops.

SIR EDWARD GREY BUSY.

London, November 17.
A letter from Sir Edward Grey was read at a meeting at Alnwick in which he asked his absence to be excused. It had been impossible for him to leave London for the past two or three weeks, and it would be some time before he could get more freedom, although the prospects of a favourable solution to the European question were not unsatisfactory.

TELEGRAMS.

THE WAR.

MANSION HOUSE FUND.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, November 17.
A Mansion House fund has been opened in London on behalf of the non-combatant victims of the war.

SERVIAN SUCCESS.

The Servians on Friday drove the Turks from their positions, 4,000 feet high, commanding Monastir.

DISAPPOINTED RESERVISTS.

A thousand Bulgarian Reservists from America have arrived at Sofia. They are disappointed at learning that they are not going to the front. Many have gone to their homes in the interior.

ROYALTY WATCH BATTLE.

The Montenegrins renewed their desperate attacks on Scutari by a two days' bombardment, followed by infantry assaults on the plain in front of the town, which caused the Turks to retire from their advanced positions. King Nicholas and his son-in-law, the Grand Duke Peter, watched the operations from a steamer on the lake which the Turks at Farabosh shelled.

MAGAZINE EXPLODES.

A Turkish powder magazine has exploded outside Salonika, destroying several houses. Eighty Turks were killed, and in addition 15 Greek troops were killed and 30 wounded. Many arrests have been made.

COMBINED ACTION.

Reuter's correspondent at Rieka states that General Vukotich has arrived near Lake Scutari and was to march on Sunday to join in the siege at Scutari, where the Servians are also expected, when combined action on the Albanian coast is anticipated if the negotiations between Austria and Montenegro fail. It is stated that the first condition of the armistice is the immediate surrender of the Scutari district to the Montenegrins.

Meanwhile hostilities before Scutari have again been suspended on receipt of a telegram from Sofia that Turkey is suing for peace.

CONSTANTINOPLE ALARMED.

Reuter's correspondent at Constantinople, wiring at 11.30 on Sunday evening, says heavy firing has been audible throughout the city since very early in the morning. It would seem that a general engagement is in progress.

There is considerable excitement in the city, and many house-tops are crowded with people listening anxiously.

No information is available as to the nature of the engagement, but it is believed that the Bulgarians are attacking Bojoktehek-maje.

Turkish warships have bombarded all day long the Bulgarians at different points of the coast of Marmora.

Cholera is increasing rapidly, and many patients have been placed in a mosque.

ARREST OF TURKS.

A message from Sofia states that the arrest of Young Turk leaders is continuing; and there are also many arrests at the front of officers, ulemas and hedgas charged with a propaganda to restore Abdul Hamid to the Throne.

No official war news has been received in Sofia from headquarters for five days. It is presumed that either little progress is being made in the attack on Chataldja or that fighting has altogether ceased, pending the negotiation of an armistice.

THE ALLIES' PLANS.

It is announced in Belgrade that the Servians have lately been investing Adrianople, presumably while the Bulgarians have been concentrating at Chataldja, and that since then there have been two sorties, both being repulsed, the Turks sustaining heavy losses.

TELEGRAMS.

THE WAR.

DISEASE WORSE THAN WAR.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, November 17.

Reuter's correspondent at Constantinople states that cholera has now become worse than the scourge of war. The cases now exceed 1,000 daily and over 50 per cent are fatal. The authorities are powerless, both method and organisation being lacking.

Three thousand patients arriving from San Stefano remained for over 24 hours in the trains on a siding without food and water, only four doctors being present.

MONTENEGRIN SUCCESS.

A message from Reuter's correspondent at Rieka states that the Montenegrins on Saturday occupied San Giovanni and Dimecia with their environs.

THE CHINESE REPUBLIC.

SUPPRESSING RUFFIANS.

[From Chinese Sources.]

Peking, November 17.

President Yuan has appointed Ngai Chue-ching as Field Marshal. It will be his duty to suppress the ruffians who are creating trouble in Kiansu, Anhui, Hunan and Shantung provinces. "Shat Po."

IN HARNESS AGAIN.

Shanghai, November 17.
The State Council has approved of the reappointment of ex-Premier Lu Ching-choung as Minister of Foreign Affairs. The new Minister assumed office on the 16th inst.

ADVICE FOR RUSSIA.

The Chinese Minister in Paris is reported to have advised the Russian Government to cancel the Treaty with Mongolia, and to arrange a new Treaty with China.

TREATY PROVISIONS.

The Chinese Minister at St. Petersburg has telegraphed to the Central Government that the most important articles of the Treaty concluded between Russia and Mongolia are to the following effect:—

(1) Russia will appoint a Resident General in charge of religious and administrative affairs.

(2) The Minister of Army stationed in Fulin must be a Russian.

(3) All the mining sites in the whole of Mongolia are to be explored by Russians.

(4) By this Treaty the relations between China and Mongolia will be terminated. "Shat Po."

SECRETIVE METHODS.

Shanghai, November 17.
President Yuan called a meeting of the Cabinet Ministers and the representatives of all the provinces, at which the President's policy towards Mongolia was made known. All present were satisfied, but Yuan's proposed action is kept in the greatest secrecy.

YUAN THE FIGHTER.

President Yuan has expressed his intention to lead the troops on the march upon Mongolia.

THE WAR SPIRIT.

The Governor-General of Shansi and Hupoh have telegraphed to the Central Government suggesting the opening of hostilities against Mongolia.

MEDIATORS.

The Japanese, French and German Ministers at Peking are reported to have come forward to act as mediators regarding affairs in Mongolia. They promise to give a reply to China in a fortnight.

CHINA'S CONGRATULATION.

President Yuan intends to despatch Chan Kam-tao to Washington to congratulate the newly-appointed President of the United States of America. "Sai Kai Kung Yik Po."

TELEGRAMS.

THE POLITICAL CRISIS.

GOVERNMENT DETERMINED.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, November 16.

Colonel Seely, Sir Rufus Isaacs and Mr. Masterman, who addressed meetings on Friday evening, insisted that the disturbance in the House of Commons on the Home Rule question had not harmed the Government, who would not swerve a hair's breadth from their determination to pass the measure.

"SUSIE'S" TELEGRAM.

Colonel Seely, describing how the scene had been concerted, said the Opposition Members received a code telegram containing the words "Meet me Marble Arch at four, Susie." Though the telegram temporarily embarrassed the Government, he had heard that it caused still greater embarrassment to the married Unionist Members, whose wives opened it!

WELSH DISESTABLISHMENT.

The Welsh Disestablishment Campaign Committee has telegraphed to Mr. Asquith and Mr. Lloyd George their grave concern at the rumours of the possibility of the Government dropping the Welsh Disestablishment Bill.

London, November 17.

Mr. Asquith has replied to the Welsh Disestablishment Committee that the rumours that the Bill is to be dropped are unfounded.

MR. REDMOND UNDISMAYED.

Mr. Redmond, speaking at York, said that the recent occurrence would somewhat delay the Government's programme, but what was a few days, or even months, in this fight? He and his colleagues would shrink from no sacrifice in order to help pass the Welsh Disestablishment Bill and other British measures.

RUSSIA AND MONGOLIA.

MOVEMENT OF TROOPS.

London, November 17.

Reuter's correspondent at St. Petersburg states that a Cossack force is being sent to Urga. Its strength is not stated.

The Russian frontier authorities have arranged for storing tents and supplies at various stages on the march to Mongolia.

OBITUARY.

COLONEL GORE-BROWNE, V.C.

London, November 16.

The death is announced of Colonel Gore-Browne, V.C., J.P.

[The deceased Colonel, who was on the retired list, was born in Ireland in 1830 and educated at Trinity College, Dublin. He was gazetted to the 32nd Light Infantry in 1855 and was one of the Lucknow garrison from June to November 1857, was twice wounded and repeatedly mentioned in general orders. He was promoted to a company for service in the field and was awarded the Victoria Cross, the Military Medal and clasps.]

THE SUFFRAGETTES.

London, November 17.

A party of Suffragettes concluded a six weeks' march from Edinburgh to London by holding a meeting in Trafalgar Square on Saturday evening. Two ladies carried a petition, numerous signed en route, to Mr. Asquith's residence. There was no disturbance.

TELEGRAMS.

MR. WILSON'S PLANS.

REVISION OF THE TARIFF.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, November 16.

Reuter's correspondent at Washington wires that Mr. Woodrow Wilson, the President Elect of the United States, announces that immediately he is inaugurated he will convene an extraordinary Session, which will be held not later than April 4th next, for the purpose of revising the Tariff.

THE LATE MR. ROBERT BARR.

An Enthusiastic Newspaper Reporter.

As reported in the "Telegraph," Mr. Robert Barr, the novelist, died at his residence at Wokingham, Surrey, last month. He had been in ill-health for some time.

Robert Barr was supposed by most people to be an American who had come to England. He was, in fact, a Scotsman who had spent the impressionable years of his life in America. Born in Glasgow in 1850, he was taken to Canada at the age of four, and lived later in the United States. He first earned his living at some manual trade, but this did not last long. He was headmaster of the public school at Windsor, in Canada, until 1879, and then he drifted into journalism, joining the editorial staff of the *Detroit Free Press*. He was a very enterprising reporter. On one occasion he is said to have rifled the Canadian mail bags in the pursuit of some copy for the formal delivery of which he could not wait, and to have bolted with it, running the gauntlet of the revolver-hots of the custodians. On another occasion, says the "Times," he crossed a frozen river, more than a mile wide, leaping from ice-floe to ice-floe, in order to give his paper early and exclusive information about a sensational murder on the other side of the frontier. He also, at this period of his career, accompanied the Hon. Thomas White, the Canadian Minister of the Interior, on a mission to conclude a treaty with the Iroquois Indians; and the Iroquois showed their esteem for him by making him an honorary chief of their tribe and bestowing upon him an Indian name of which the English translation is "The White House."

He never took up his position among them as a White House, but he was able to render them an important service in later years when an Iroquois chief came to England to seek redress of grievances. The chief called on Barr at the *Detroit Free Press* office in a white man's suit and straw hat and complained that he could get no one in authority to recognize his credentials. "Put on your chief's dress," said Barr, "and then I'll take you to the House of Commons."

The Indian, with his moccasins, eagle's feathers, and tomahawk, cut such a figure in the "Distinguished Strangers" Gallery that Mr. Gladstone and Sir William Harcourt sought an introduction to him, listened to his story, and promised to see justice done.

Barr was often to be met at the Devonshire or the National Liberal Clubs. He was a most genial companion and an exceptionally entertaining raconteur.

TELEGRAMS.

UNIONIST CONFERENCE.

FUTURE POLICY REVEALED.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, November 16.

The National Unionist Conference has concluded. It passed resolutions in favour of legislation to give State assistance to facilitate peasant proprietorship and housing reform. It condemned the Land Taxes and the payment of Members of Parliament.

CROSS-SUMMONS.

Trouble at a Dinner Party.

At the Police Court, this afternoon, Mr. E. A. Irving again went into the circumstances surrounding the case in which E. L. S. Alves, of 17, College Chambers, summoned J. Carr, fitter, 15, College Chambers, for assault and using abusive language. There was a cross-summons, against Alves, also for assault and abusive language. Mr. Needham, of Messrs. Ewens and Harston, appeared for Alves.

A witness named Silva said he was at the dinner party given by Alves at which the trouble took place. He saw Carr pass by the door, and then return and kick the door, at the same time using bad language. Carr afterwards struck Mr. Alves, and spat at the ladies and on the clothing of people present. Witness blew a whistle and Mr. Alves blew it afterwards. The defendant challenged witness to fight.

Carr said that he was assaulted, and Alves called upon his friends to assault him.

European Constable 111 deposed to being called to the house of Alves by the blowing of a whistle. Mr. Alves complained of having been assaulted by Carr. Witness then called Carr out and he said he was assaulted by Alves. Witness did not know what to make of the trouble so he took them all to the station. None of the parties were the worse for liquor.

By Mr. Needham: Carr did not complain of being assaulted by Alves, but said he was assaulted by a man named Silva.

Carr in his evidence said the door of defendant's apartments was slammed in his face. This had been done many times previously.

His Worship dismissed both charges of assault, but fined Carr \$5 for using abusive language, saying that he did not think Carr had any reason to go banging at Alves door six times inside a month. He would not bind the parties over but he hoped he would not hear any more of them having trouble.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER RESERVE.

The Volunteer Reserve have been asked to take part in the Field Day on Sunday morning the 24th. November in conjunction with the Hongkong Volunteers and Scouts. The operations will be in the neighbourhood of Fan-ling and Tai-po, and will be over at an early hour. Members who are able to attend are requested to send in names to the President by to-day, as it is hoped that it may be possible to have uniforms ready for those attending. His Excellency the Governor will be present and hopes the Reserves will turn out as strong as possible.

As the operations will commence early on Sunday morning the Reserves will leave Kowloon Railway Station at 10 p.m. on Saturday night for Tai Po where sleeping accommodation will be provided.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

TELEGRAMS.

THE NEWS CONDENSED.

Colonel Gore-Browne, V.C., an Indian Mutiny veteran, is dead.

The Montenegrins have occupied San Giovanni and Dimecia.

Mr. Asquith has denied that the Government intends dropping Welsh Disestablishment.

A Mansion House Fund has been opened for non-combatant victims of the Balkan War.

The Russian frontier authorities are making arrangements to facilitate a military march to Mongolia.

Mr. Woodrow Wilson, after his inauguration, is to proceed immediately with the revision of the tariff.

A thousand Bulgarian reservists from America are disappointed on arrival home at not being sent to the front.

British Cabinet Ministers in week-end speeches announce the determination of the Government to carry Home Rule.

A party of Suffragettes concluded a march from Edinburgh to London by presenting a petition to the Premier.

In a fight between American and Dutch bluejackets at Shanghai an American sailor named Willis was fatally stabbed.

Heavy firing had been heard from Constantinople, and it is believed a general engagement is in progress near the city.

It is said that one of the first conditions of an armistice is that the Scutari district be surrendered to the Montenegrins.

The effects of cholera are worse than those of war in Constantinople, over 1,000 cases occurring daily, more than half being fatal.

Arrests are being made at the front of officers and others charged with an attempt to restore Abdul Hamid to the Turkish Throne.

The King of Montenegro and his son-in-law watched the Montenegrin attack on Scutari from a steamer which was fired on by the Turks.

LOCAL.

The Fire Brigade had a rehearsal of the drills and display work to be given at the annual inspection.

Sang Lee, who was the contractor for many buildings in the Colony, has secured the contract for the Tyam-tuk reservoir.

The body of a Chinese was found hanging in a house at Cheung Chau. A similar case was reported from the same district a few days ago.

An Indian has been sent to hospital suffering from a wound on his head, alleged to have been inflicted by two other Indians now in custody.

This morning in the Supreme Court the trial de novo was commenced of Loh-shan-yao, a Chinese charged with the murder of Subadar Ali Shams on the Shamshui.

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South China Morning Post.

The Futurist Madness.

The normal person, when shown
a Futurist painting, can make
nothing of it. That which, after
a strenuous visual and mental
struggle, he might be tempted to
describe as a fried egg in con-
volutions will be interpreted by
the initiate as "Speed"; a fan-
tastic blur of colours and lines
apparently without cohesion or
meaning, as though the "artist"
had been trying to convert the
canvas into a palette, will be
labelled "War." Similarly with
Futurist writing, Syntax has
gone by the board, and adherence
generally to grammatical rules is
laughed to scorn. Specimens
of descriptive writing from a
Futurist pen remind one of the
sort of stuff that used to be
turned out on the primitive
models of the modern typewriter
operated with one finger. And
yet seemingly sane people can be
found who will wander in a dazed
condition or attempt to peruse
the delicious incoherencies of
Futurist belles lettres, and then
pronounce them "curious."

Daily Press.

The Tibetan Question.

The essential point to be im-
posed for in "Tibet" policy is a
strong central Government that
will be able to maintain order
among the various gnomes or tribal
chieftains, and also to resist any
efforts made from outside to sub-
vert it, and even if the hands of
Great Britain had not been bound
by the Convention with Russia,
there was nothing in February,
1910, to show that the Chinese
rule might not be more stable
than that of the Dalai Lama.
Now, however, the Dalai has
been reinstated in circum-
stances that should make him
favourably inclined toward the
British Government, and Chinese
authority in Lhasa is strictly de-
fined, Russia, again, has conclud-
ed a very advantageous agree-
ment with the hutuktu of Urga,
and has acquired, to all intents
and purposes, the protectorate of
Outer Mongolia. What, then,
in view of these facts, is to be the
future of the British position vis-
a-vis Tibet? It scarcely needs
repetition that the first and most
important desideratum, on which
all others depend, is the institu-
tion of British representation
in some shape or form at
Lhasa. An objection urged
against this in one section of the
London Press is that a British re-
presentative could not be sent to
Lhasa unless accompanied by a
force adequate to his protection,
and that the permanent
residence at the Tibetan capital
of such a force would be the first
step towards a military occupa-
tion. But there is a great differ-
ence between the force needed to
guard a Legation or Consulate
and that necessary to constitute a
military occupation. Legation
guards are no new thing, but have
not, with the doubtful exception
of the case of the Russians at
Teheran, led to such a result
—and, moreover, what of the
guards at the trading posts at
Yatung and Gyantse?

China Mail.

The Return of Side-whiskers.

It is in France that they keep
the closest eye on fashions, says
the American "Nation," and it is
from a French source that we
learn of the beginnings of a
movement in England to restore
the side-whisker. So far it is
only a tentative and modest effort
to return to an earlier style.
There is no question as yet of
bringing back the long and
sweeping hairs appendages
which used to frame the faces of
Englishmen in the first years of
the century, falling from the ear
far below the chin, as Canning is
pictured for us, or as Byron
appears in Orsay's sketch of him.
Not even so far as the "mutton-
chop" has any bold innovator
yet ventured to go. The first
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GENERAL NEWS.

Innocent Men in Gaol.
Lord Harris, presiding at Canterbury Quarter Sessions commented on the long imprisonment of persons awaiting trial, and insisted a case in which two men charged with stealing snailcloth, valued at 5s., had been in custody for three months. It was a great expense, he said, to maintain such persons, and if afterwards they were found innocent it meant a great miscarriage of justice. At the subsequent trial the men referred to by Lord Harris were acquitted.

Portuguese Town in Revolt.
October 25.—The inhabitants of Crouche, in Portugal have revolted and attacked the quarters of the Republican Guard, destroying part of the building. The Guard defended themselves by firing repeated volleys. One person was killed and several others were seriously wounded. Reinforcements were immediately sent from Santarém, and the revolt was quelled. Arrests have been made. Crouche is a town of over 9,000 inhabitants on the Sorraia, about 20 miles S.E. of Santarém.

Unclaimed Bank Draft for £17,000.

On board one of the Great Western Railway tenders at Plymouth a bank draft has been found payable at sight to "Charles Harcourt" at Sydney. It was issued in London in August by the Bank of New South Wales, and is for £10,000. It was found after the tender had been used to land passengers from the Oceanic. There was no passenger named "Harcourt" on board the liner, and no inquiries have been made concerning the loss either at the White Star Line offices or at the Great Western Railway Company's offices.

Canadian Loyalty.

The Duke of Connaught on his way home from the West spoke on October 21 at a luncheon of the Canadian Club, Toronto, attended by 400 members. He made one of his longest and frankest speeches since coming to Canada. He expressed profound satisfaction that in the West he found absolutely no movement for secession nor any lack of readiness to co-operate for all high national purposes with the other provinces. He expressed gratification over the degree in which all classes in the West had moulded into a healthy Canadian citizenship, and particularly emphasized the devotion of the West to education.

The New Capital of India.

The Delhi Chief Commissioner-ship was duly constituted on October 1. The divisional headquarters were transferred from Delhi to Umballa, and the boundaries of the Gurgaon and Rohtak districts were extended to include the portions of the old Delhi district which are not absorbed in the new province. The Delhi Laws Act avoids the use of the word "enclave" to describe the new Chief Commissioner's office, preferring to retain the expression "province." The Government of India will not for ceremonial purposes formally assume charge of the new province until December 23, when the Viceroy will make his state entry into Delhi, which thenceforward will assume its new position as the headquarters of the Government of India.

Speech by the Kipling.

Mr. Rudyard Kipling, speaking at Ashton-under-Lyne, recently, said that the Government had obtained complete power by means of a series of confidence tricks. Since the passing of the Parliament Act, the Liberals had an absolutely free hand over everything, from pitch-and-toss to manslaughter. In that time they had produced two pieces of legislation, one the Insurance Act, which merely imposed slavery upon fifteen or sixteen million people, and the second, the Home Rule Bill, proposed to sell a million or so of the inhabitants out of the Union against their own will to the open and avowed enemies of the Union. His Majesty's Ministers had banged, barred, and bolted every door by which a constitutional people might hope to regain its freedom. "Men are responsible" (Mr. Kipling continued) "for the consequences of their own acts. If we give a blank cheque to a plausible adventurer, whose fault is it if he draws out of the bank everything that we have so laboriously accumulated?"

SERVICE MATTERS.

General Nicholson's Peers.

It is announced in the London Gazette that Field-Marshal Sir William Gustavus Nicholson, who recently received a peerage, will take the title of Baron Nicholson of Roundhay, in the county of York.

Major C. C. B. Tew.

Maj. C. C. B. Tew, who will be remembered as an officer stationed in the East with the West York-shires, has recently retired from the 3rd Reserve Batt., East Surrey Regiment. He took part in the Boer war in the old 14th, and was severely wounded at Pieter's Hill. After having been invalided home he was adjutant of Militia at Chatham, and left the line and took a company in the Old Constitutional Force in 1903.

South Africa and the Navy.

The celebration of Trafalgar Day at Cape Town was notable for a speech by Sir Frederic de Waal, Administrator of the Cape Province, who presided at the Navy League meeting. Sir Frederic's position is non-political, and naturally, therefore, he was unable to say anything of the Union Government's intentions respecting the Navy, but his former party connections and his private associations render his presence at such a function significant. The main point of his speech was that South Africa could not be isolated from political world movements, and that recognition of South African naval obligations was therefore as prudent as it was naturally in races both of whom had naval heroes among their progenitors.

Newcastle's New Commission.

The Admiralty has issued an order for a new crew to be drawn from the Chatham Depot for the purpose of recommissioning the first-class cruiser Newcastle, Captain George P. E. Hunt, for a further spell of two years with the China Squadron, in which she replaced the ill-fated Bedford two years ago. The new crew go to Colombo in the cruiser Gibraltar, which was to leave Chatham about October 23. Captain Frederick A. Powell has been appointed to the command of the Newcastle. He is no stranger to the China Station, having served their two commissions, and one of them during the stirring times which followed the boxer outbreak of 1900. He was then flag lieutenant to Admiral Sir E. H. Seymour, commanding the China Squadron, and landed with the naval forces and took part in the advance to Peking his services on that occasion earning warm commendation in despatches (medal with clasp). Captain Powell also wears the Royal Prussian Crown Order for services rendered to the Royal Family of Germany.

War College Development.

An important extension is about to be made in connection with the Naval War College, which, it is hoped, will stimulate interest among officers in questions of strategy, tactics, international law, and kindred subjects. This development applies to the Devonport branch of the War College, which has hitherto been used principally for occasional lectures, although its equipment is adapted for the study of questions of vital importance to the sea service. It has now been decided to establish at the Devonport College a systematic course of lectures, supplemented by instruction in the principles of strategy and tactics, the method of distributing and collecting intelligence, with practical work in search problems and tactical exercises. These courses, says the "Globe," will extend from September to June each year, and will be open to officers of the executive branch, Royal Marines, accountant department, warrant officers, and Royal Naval Reserve. Viewed in connection with the close relation which now exists between the War College and the recently instituted War Staff, the systematic instruction which is about to be inaugurated at the Devonport adjunct of the War College will enable the officers serving at the western port to benefit from the study of questions bearing directly upon the broad questions of strategy, policy, and other cognate subjects, which become increasingly important to the profession of the sea.

THE BOOK WORLD.

Important Book on the New Republican China.

John Stuart Thomson, the American China traveller and author of "The Chinese" (Laurie, London) will have out late this season a large new book entitled "Revolutionized China," illustrated both by choice coloured plates by Chinese artists and by many unusually fine photo half tones and coloured maps. Among the photos are striking ones of the leaders of the new republic. The book of 600 pages will be published in America by the Bobbs-Merrill Company and in London by Werner Laurie. It is promised that it is a most important work by a traveller and economist who spent three years on the ground. It will cover the whole, now, republican China of to-day and the future, in thirty fields, in its relation with Britain, America, Japan etc. After his long stay in China, Mr. Thomson made a trip round the world via Japan, India and Europe, to study the trade and political relations of the various nations with the new China. He is a foremost exponent of what is practically an Anglo-American naval alliance in Pacific and Atlantic waters, and an Anglo-American working understanding in Far East politics, whereby America would relieve Australia and China of the need of a navy, and Britain could withdraw her whole navy to the Mediterranean and Atlantic oceans. D. Appleton & Co. of New York & London have just published Mr. Thomson's child's story of China entitled "Bud and Bamboo." It is tastefully illustrated by cuts made from photographs which the author took on his travels in China. Mr. Thomson is also the author of "Estabell" and "A Day Song" published by the Methodist Book Co., Toronto, and he is an occasional contributor to such leading London magazines as Chambers's, Pall Mall, Windsor, etc. His fiction in the American magazines has given him the name by the American critics of the "Kipling of China." He was one of the principal speakers at the World's Oriental Congress at Clark University, Worcester, Mass. this fall. Mr. Thomson lived for some years in Hongkong, stopping at the Peak Hotel and Hongkong Club, when he was agent here of the American Mail Lines. His books always highly praise Hongkong and Hongkong citizens by name.

Mr. Thomson's "Short Stories of the Far East (China)" has been reviewed as follows: Metropolitan Magazine, New York: "Equal to Kipling at his best." Associated Sunday Magazine, New York: (2 million circulation): "Suggestive of Kipling in his best days; very clever; excellent." Century Magazine, New York: "Quite original; sprightly vein." World's Work Magazine, New York: "Extraordinary colour and character which his tales exhibit." American Magazine, New York: "His China stories are quite remarkable; he certainly knows his China." Everybody's Magazine, New York: "Every one of his stories is remarkable in pictorial power."

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Species Mille" are Professor Maspero's book on Egypt, Mrs. Strong's volume on Rome, and M. Dieulafoy's Spain.

Among the gift books of year Mr. Rackham's version of "Aesop's Fables" will no doubt hold first place. Other interesting volumes are "All the Tales from Shakespeare" with reproductions of the paintings of the great masters, which is announced by Mr. Heinemann; who is also responsible for an illustrated edition of "The four Gardens" by "Handasyde," a book which in its first, unillustrated edition made many enthusiastic friends.

Motor Sprinkler Manufactured at Dairen.

The Department of Public Works has a motor sprinkler constructed at the Dairen, Iron Foundry after the pattern of the one which it imported from England in 1910. The new sprinkler was completed some days ago, and has been subjected to a series of trial operations for the past few days. The results are satisfactory.

60,000 Gun Caps Smuggled.
When the Bangkok Customs guards were making the usual inspection on board the s.s. Dali, recently they discovered a bag containing 60,000 gun caps concealed underneath one of the boilers. They are Enfield Rifle gun caps and are in much demand in the country where the people use mostly guns of very old patterns. No arrests have yet been made, says the "Bangkok Daily Mail."

English Pilgrimage to Rome.
An English pilgrimage numbering some 500 members, accompanied by the Duke of Norfolk, is now in Rome, says the "Times" of October 25, and has been received by the Pope. The Duke of Norfolk, as the president of the Catholic Union of Great Britain, on its behalf read an address to his Holiness assuring him of its fidelity and devotion to the Apostolic See.

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DEATH.

O'NEILL.—At 9 P.M. on the 17th inst., J. O'Neill, aged 34 years. Accidentally drowned at Canton. [845]

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AFTER THE NEXT ELECTION.

How soon Englishmen will be asked to go again to the polling-booths no one can say, in view of what is happening, and is likely to happen, in the Balkans; but none but the most sanguine Radicals will deny that another general election is within reasonably easy hail. What is more, only a Radical possessed of the faith that can move mountains, will pretend that his Party has more than the wildest off-chance of returning to power; for, if we are to judge by the Home press and by bye-election results, England is heartily tired of a Liberal rule that is anything but liberal; of a Government whose first word is freedom, and whose first—and last—act is tyranny. The labouring classes who placed their whole trust in election promises, feel that the Government has betrayed them; and it would seem that the Irish Party is not too well satisfied with its allies' understanding of the nature of an oath. Further, the business section of the community, from the merchant-prince to the small shopkeeper, knows to its cost, that the figures which proclaim England's commercial prosperity under a Radical administration are—well—figures rather than facts; that bankruptcy and the work-house have been, in all too many cases, the portion of those who believed in the showy would-be altruism of Mr. Lloyd George.

But, having sent the Liberal Government about its business and re-instated itself, where will the Conservative majority look for its leaders? What men are to compose its Cabinet? Neglecting Mr. Balfour, who may not unreasonably refuse office, the Conservatives have one or two front-rank men—Lord Lansdowne, Mr. Wyndham, Mr. Austen Chamberlain, and the like—on whom admittedly they can rely; but these are not sufficient to make a Cabinet. Mr. Bonar Law's chances of success as a leader remain to be seen; many people whose opinion should be listened to with respect contend that he has not yet had a fair opportunity of showing what there is in him. His two colleagues in the recent anti-Home Rule campaign—Sir Edward Carson and Mr. F. E. Smith—both of whom would probably be called to office—have also to prove that they have faculties deeper and more worthy the nation's respect than the bare ability to capture votes, or to decide by more force of vituperation and abuse, questions that have puzzled older and wiser heads than theirs. From Mr. Smith, indeed, the country has a right to expect great things; he is young, his brilliancy is something more than gloss, and there seems no doubt but that, in an independent role, he would achieve a success which partnership with Sir Edward Carson and Mr. Law can hardly be said to have brought to him. It is only fair to suppose, too, that there are young men occupying back Opposition benches, who are ready to give the country of their best—and a best that is not to be despised; but further than supposition we may not go; there may be budding Beaconsfields among them, and there may not. What we have to do is to look at the facts as they stand, and to admit, straightforwardly and at once, that the Conservative party has seldom been so short of really big men to whom it could look for help at a minute's notice.

DAY BY DAY.

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Commissioner's Visit.

Mr. J. B. Sutor, Commissioner in the East of the N. S. W. Government, arrived in Hongkong to-day.

Alleged Armed Robbery.

Three men have been arrested by the police in connection with the alleged armed robbery at Reclamation Street, Yaumati, on the 5th inst.

Colonial Secretary Leaves.

The Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, Colonial Secretary-leaves for England on Saturday on holiday. He expects to be away until the end of March.

Reported Collision.

A boatman has reported to the police that his fishing boat was run into by the s.s. On Lee on the 15th inst. and damaged to the extent of \$500.

Indian Injured.

An Indian has been sent to the hospital from Hung Hom suffering from a wound on his head, alleged to have been inflicted by two Indians now in custody.

Snatching.

As a child was about to enter a house in the Central district, a man went up to it and stole its two bangles valued \$24. The child screamed but the man got away.

The Kailan Mining Administration.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending 2nd November, amounted to 295,578 tons and the sales during the period, to 25,672.32 tons.

Found Hanged.

The body of a Chinese which was found hanging from the beam of a house at Cheung Chau, has been removed to the mortuary. A similar case was reported from the same district a few days ago.

Fire Brigade's Rehearsal.

Early this morning, the Fire Brigade had a rehearsal, before the East end of the City Hall, when all the drills, and display work to be given at the annual inspection by H. E. the Governor, were gone through.

Catholics in Asia.

The Rev. Fr. Spada, preaching at the Church of the Rosary, Kowloon, yesterday, said there were five million Catholics in Asia, one million in Africa, and thirty thousand in Bulgaria. This went to prove the advancement of the Catholic Church throughout the world.

The Fowl and the Frog.

A man was sentenced to one month's imprisonment and four hours' stocks, by Mr. Melbourne, at the Police Court, this morning, for stealing a fowl. It was stated that the man used a small dried frog tied to a string, and when the fowl swallowed the frog, he drew the fowl in to him.

Re-arrested.

A man who was arrested on Saturday for a breach of the Opium Ordinance and who was bailed out, was re-arrested on a similar charge. Mr. Hazeland, at the Police Court, this morning, fined him \$8 or, in default, ten days on the first charge, and \$13, or in default fourteen days on the second.

Wedding.

The wedding took place this afternoon in St. John's Cathedral of Mr. William Cecil Dutton, Turner, of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, to Miss Annie Mary Cunningham, daughter of the late William Murray Cunningham and Mrs. Cunningham of 1, Oxford Terrace, Edinburgh. A full report will appear in to-morrow's issue of the "Telegraph."

Victoria Theatre.

"Noire Dame"—a three act cinematograph drama which is being shown at the Victoria—is a fine piece of work which everyone should see. It is a modern tragedy, with jealousy as a main-spring; and incidentally it reveals some most interesting phases of life in the Colonies, and in a French convict settlement. The theatre was crowded on Saturday night, and the turns by the Franklins met with great and well-deserved applause. On Monday the 25th, a joint farewell benefit is to be given to them and to the two popular artistes, Vera and Smith.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

INDIAN SOLDIER STANDS RE-TRIAL FOR MURDER.

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This morning at the Courts of Justice, the Criminal Sessions, were opened before the Chief Justice, Mr. W. R. Davies K. C. The first case in His Lordship's list, was the re-trial of the native soldier, in the 126th Baluchistan Infantry named Ibrahim, who stands indicted on a charge of murder of Subadar Ali Shafa on Sept. 4.

The prisoner, it will be remembered, was tried originally at the October sessions, and the jury disagreeing after a lengthy trial, the case was put back to be tried *de novo*. The features of the first trial was the number of legal points raised by Mr. F. C. Jenkin, who, instructed by Mr. R. A. Harding, put up a very able defence. In his opening to-day the Attorney General, the Mr. J. A. S. Bucknill, instructed by the Crown Solicitor, Mr. J. H. Kemp, paid special attention to the points raised.

The jury was composed as follows:—Messrs A. L. Shields, J. H. Barr, C. Roberts, M. J. Wells, and W. G. Goggin. The Hon Mr. J. A. S. Bucknill, after outlining the case for the Crown, said that he understood, this was the first case in which the Supreme Court of China had sent a man down for trial to Hongkong, and therefore he admitted it was possible that there might be some legal point which might arise with regard to the jurisdiction of the Court. He thought that in order to avoid any questions arising on some such point he had better put in the Order-in-Council in the "London Gazette," and draw His Lordship's attention to the sections and clauses of the Order-in-Council under which the prisoner was sent down for trial here. It contained an Order-in-Council which dealt with the jurisdiction of His Majesty's Court in China and he would refer His Lordship's attention to some of the sections which appeared to be material in the present case.

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Private Hussein gave evidence as to the occurrences which led up to the death of Ali Shafa. He said that some of the soldiers were gambling and the deceased went over to stop them. Witness added that the subadar abused the prisoner, who remonstrated. The deceased told them to consider themselves live prisoners. Witness, who was one of the four playing cards, said he then went to sleep, but at about 10.30 p.m. he was awakened by the sound of a shot being fired. The deceased shouted "Guard turn out," and all the men went into camp. He took his rifle and put his belt on. Later he saw Ibrahim with his hands tied.

Witness was then cross-examined at some length by Mr. Jenkin as to the relative positions of the different personalities in the tragedy.

The case was proceeding as we went to press.

"OUR BURGLAR."

Sentenced to-day, at the Sessions.

When "Our Burglar," Wong Cheuk, alias Tsui Tin, stood in the dock this morning, to stand his trial before Mr. Justice H. H. J. Gompertz, sitting in Criminal Jurisdiction, at the Second Court, on four indictments of larceny from dwelling-houses on the Peak, he was not only attended by two Indian constables but also by a European officer.

Mr. A. C. G. Alabaster, instructed by Mr. P. M. Hodgson, Assistant Crown Solicitor, appeared for the Crown, prisoner being undefended.

Prisoner pleaded guilty to two charges of housebreaking and larceny, at the residences of Mr. E. A. M. Williams, of Messrs Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, 127, the Peak; and Mr. G. Caldwell, No. 25, the Peak; and to common larceny of a watch belonging to Mr. J. R. Wood, Director of Education. To the indictment of stealing a quantity of jewellery and a cigarette holder from the residence of Mr. Ormiston, 8, the Peak, prisoner pleaded not guilty.

Prisoner:—I bought the cigarette holder at Canton from the Wong Hing shop for \$1.90.

His Lordship:—Not guilty on this indictment to the whole lot?

Prisoner:—No, my Lord, not guilty to a single thing.

Mr. Alabaster: Prisoner has pleaded guilty to three indictments for house breaking and stealing from dwelling houses; so I think that it will probably be only taking up the time of the court and jury unnecessarily to try and prove against him the fourth.

His Lordship:—The case No. 2 is simply larceny?

Mr. Alabaster: Yes, my Lord; only simple larceny; the others larcenies from dwelling houses.

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so I propose to offer no evidence in this last case to which he has pleaded not guilty.

His Lordship: Any previous convictions against him?

Mr. Alabaster:—Yes, my Lord. They have not come down yet. I can prove them in a few minutes if my Lord will postpone sentence until after the adjournment?

Prisoner was then taken out of the dock, sentence being postponed according to counsel's request.

In regard to the three charges preferred against the prisoner he was sentenced to two years, 10 years, and 10 years, with hard labour in each instance, the sentences to run concurrently.

A ROBBERY CHARGE.

Before Mr. Justice Gompertz, Hui Wai alias Long Tsai Wai, was charged with, along with two others not in custody committing a robbery at a Chinese house 144 Praya East, and taking away \$4,000 in notes and jewellery.

Mr. A. C. G. Alabaster, acted for the Crown, instructed by Mr. P. M. Hodgson. Prisoner was undefended.

The jury was sworn as follows:—

Messrs Frederick Johnson Gellion (foreman), John Henry Fane Bister, Arthur Ellis William Dunrich, Francisco Miguel Xavier John Thomas Victor, Porphyrio Maria Nolasco da Silva, and William Thomson Shewan.

Mr. Alabaster said that the prisoner was charged with committing a robbery with two others not in custody, and the robbery had the usual features. The evidence against the prisoner was mainly that of identification. It was also alleged by the Crown that he had a conversation with friends of his after the robbery in which he frankly admitted that he had taken part in the robbery. The jury would see a man who had conversation with the prisoner and they would see witnesses who had said they identified him.

A married woman whose husband was the tenant of the house in question said that on the day of the robbery a man dressed in European clothes came to her house. He presented a letter and while she was reading it, threatened her with a dagger. He said he had come for her money. Other men entered the house and after gagging her, her husband, and servant, took five gold bangles and \$4,000 in money.

Prisoner was sentenced to seven years' imprisonment with hard labour.

INCIDENT ON THE S.S. FATSHAN.

It has been reported that an exciting incident took place on board the s.s. Fatshan on Tuesday night of last week. The story is that a Chinese dock-passenger attempted to steal a box belonging to another Chinese and that, on a report of this being made, the would-be thief was at once placed under arrest. Thereupon a friend or confederate of the prisoner is supposed to have set light to a quantity of paper with the intention of burning the ship, but the fire was quickly extinguished and the burning bales thrown overboard. The incendiary is said to have jumped overboard and to have disappeared, while the man under arrest was handed over to the Police authorities at Canton to be dealt with by them.

MISSING BOOKKEEPER.

The police have nothing to report in connection with Carvalho, the book-keeper reported as missing from the Union Insurance Society of Canton.

Reservoir Contract.

At a recent meeting of the Legislative Council it was announced that the contract for the Tyam-tuk reservoir had been placed and that the cost would be \$1,781,817. We now learn that Sang Lee, who was the contractor for many prominent buildings in the Colony, secured the contract.

Arrivals.

By the Hongkong Maru there arrived in Hongkong to-day M. Paul Ballone, French Consul at at Moji. Mr. H. P. Winslow, Manager of the British section of the Kowloon-Canton Railway, arrived back by the Kumano Maru from Manila.

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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Thursday's Boxing.

Those who watched the millenary boxing competition on Thursday could hardly fail to be struck by the live interest taken in the proceedings by the officers of this garrison. In this respect our army and navy may be said to set a splendid example to the whole world; for in no other country can officers enter so freely into the lighter pursuits of their men, without stiffness, yet without losing an atom of prestige, as in Britain and her Possessions. Perhaps the explanation lies here: that British officers know how to slacken without slackening too much. Their position in regard to sharing sports and recreations with their men is anything but an easy one. Tommy Atkins is an extremely critical gentleman. He objects to an officer's exercising a sort of abuse—maid's or school-master's eye over him, but equally he would resent—would even be disgusted at—the possibility of that officer's "making himself too cheap;" and it is the very fact that the average British officer, being a sportsman, knows how to strike the happy middle, that accounts for his popularity, and for the confidence that his subordinates have in him.

The Cat and the Radicals.

At last a bill has passed its third reading in the House, providing for the flogging of a type of ruffian for whom "black-guard" is but a puny name—and therefore it has seemed good to some of the Radical members to abuse one of their own leaders who had the pluck and the sense to move such a bill. Poor Mr. McKenna! Verily a man's foes shall be they of his own household. How, pray,—other than by the use of the lash—would our humanitarian friends propose to deal with an animal who lives on the earnings of a certain sort of woman, and whose hardest work merely consists in booting or punching the said woman? Fines and moral suasion are very nice in theory, but ask any London stipendiary what he thinks of their influence on such individuals as those whom we mention. Leave the affairs of England in the hands of the humanitarians for ten years, and there will be no England at all. We shall be told next that it is a cruel and wicked thing for a soldier or sailor to prevent an enemy from invading the country. In fact there are no bounds to the possibilities of modern milkopdom.

"Naval Decline."

The Imperial Maritime League sends us a circular, referring to Trafalgar Day, which is worth noting. It says: "In view of the swift passing of our naval position, and of the consequent peril in which the Country now stands, the Imperial Maritime League is of opinion that the memory of the victory, whose fruits are now being thrown away, should not be celebrated by banquets or rejoicing, as is being done elsewhere,—but rather in a spirit of mourning for our naval decline, and of determination to endeavour to retrieve the position." But no good will ever come of over-stating a case. The position of the navy is not nearly so bad that people need sit down and cry for it.

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SPECIAL CABLES.

BLUEJACKETS' QUARREL.

AMERICAN FATALLY
STABBED BY DUTCHMAN.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, November 18.
In a fight between Dutch and American bluejackets here last night, an American named Willis, belonging to the U.S.S. Rainbow, was fatally stabbed.

He died of his wounds this morning.

ROBBERS ON THE
RAILWAY.Attempt to Blow Up Bridge
near Canton.

Between Saturday night and Sunday morning a daring attempt was made by a band of about 200 Chinese robbers to blow up one of the bridges on the Chinese section of the Canton-Kowloon Railway. The bridge is situated about 12 miles out of Canton and some two or three miles distant from Che-pi station. Though the gang managed to lay their charge of explosive in the structure and to effect an explosion, they did not succeed in doing a great deal of damage to the bridge; but subsequently they turned their attentions to the permanent way, and did very considerable mischief.

So far as can be ascertained, the attempted outrage was prompted by a spirit of revenge. Some months ago a big robbery occurred near this particular spot and the authorities succeeded in capturing a man whom they accused of complicity in the affair. They took him to Canton and subsequently brought him back to the scene of the robbery, where he shot. It is believed that Saturday's affair has its origin in the robbers' resentment at this summary treatment.

Rails Torn Up.

The outrage was first discovered shortly after 8 o'clock on Saturday morning, when the express train from Canton arrived at the spot and found it impossible to proceed owing to a portion of the rails being torn up. Investigations were made and it was found that in the addition to trying to blow the bridge up, the robbers had endeavored to burn some of the sleepers and had pulled up some of the rails and thrown them into the river. Eventually the engine from the express train was detached and sent back to Canton to fetch a gang of workers, who, on their arrival on the scene, effected the necessary repairs, which allowed the train to resume running after some two hours' delay. There were many European passengers on the train, including a detachment of the Shanghai Defence Corps who were on the way to Simshan for rifle practice.

Seen by a representative of the "Telegraph" to-day, one of the passengers by the train referred to, said:—"We left Canton at 7.35 on Sunday morning, and, as events turned out, it was fortunate for us that we had on board one of the Assistant Engineers of the railway, Mr. Garibaldi. We had proceeded about twelve miles on our run when we discovered that someone had been tampering with the line. The train was stopped and it was found that a gang of robbers numbering about 200 had made an attempt to blow up one of the bridges by means of powder which they had placed in one of the weep-holes, or pipes used for draining the water off.

An Explosion.

"There had actually been an explosion, but not much damage was done. After this unsuccessful attempt the robbers seem to have tried to burn the sleepers on the bridge, but of course they could not do very much damage in this way, the wood being so hard. Then they appear to have taken up a rail or two and thrown them into the river.

"We put back to Che-pi station and waited there while the engine ran into Canton and brought out a breakdown gang to repair the rails. This was soon done and the journey was resumed after about two hours' delay."

OUTRAGE ON COLONEL
ROOSEVELT.

PEN-PICTURE OF THE SHOOTING AFFAIR.

EX-PRESIDENT SHOWED UNCONCERN AND
GREAT PLUCK.

When Colonel Roosevelt was shot by a man named John Schrank, of New York, on the evening of October 14, he most probably owed his life to a manuscript in his pocket.

It will be remembered that telegraphic advices at the time told how the ex-president was leaving his hotel at Milwaukee for the Coliseum, where he was to make a speech. The bullet struck the manuscript of his speech which retarded its force. Colonel Roosevelt started for the Coliseum just after eight o'clock. About his automobile was a crowd of several hundred persons who gave him a cheer. The Colonel stood up, waving his hat in answer to the cheers, and the assassin, who was standing amongst the crowd, quite close to the car, pushed his way forward, raised his gun and fired.

With Colonel Roosevelt in the car was, amongst others, Mr. Albert H. Martin, one of his secretaries. Mr. Martin is a man six feet tall and a former football player who knows no fear. A second after the bullet sped on its way he was over the side of the car and had landed squarely on the would-be assassin's shoulders. Martin bore him to the ground, flung his arm around the man's neck, and swiftly dispossessed him of his revolver. Then he picked up Schrank and carried him forward to Colonel Roosevelt who still stood up, calmly looking on.

"Here he is!"

"Here he is, Colonel," said Martin, "look at him."
Just for a little, we read, it seemed as though Schrank would be torn to pieces by the infuriated crowd, but Colonel Roosevelt himself intervened.

"Stop! stop!" he cried, "stand back! Don't hurt him!"
For a little the crowd was not disposed to heed his words, but at length it fell back and the assailant was carried into the hotel.

"Are you hurt, Colonel?" a hundred voices called out.
"No, no," he responded, smilingly. "Missed me that time. I'm not hurt a bit." Then, to the other members of his party, "I think we'd better be going on, or we'll be late."

Up to this point no one entertained the slightest notion that Colonel Roosevelt had been shot. The car drove off and had proceeded a little way when Mr. John McGrath, the other secretary, exclaimed:

"Look Colonel, there is a hole in your overcoat."

Blood on his Fingers.

Colonel Roosevelt looked down, saw the hole in the breast, unbuttoned the coat and thrust his hand underneath it. When he withdrew it, his fingers were stained with blood.

"It looks as though I had been hit," said Colonel Roosevelt, "but I don't think it is anything serious."

He declined to return to the hotel and was driven to the auditorium. There three doctors made a hurried examination and urged him to go to a hospital.

"I will deliver this speech or die, one or the other," was Colonel Roosevelt's reply.

He went on to the stage and had a fine reception. Then Mr. Cochems stepped forward and broke the news to the audience which was instantly thrown into confusion.

"It's Nothing."

Colonel Roosevelt rose and walked to the edge of the platform to quieten the crowd. He raised his hand, and instantly there was silence.

"It's true," he said and he unbuttoned his coat. "I'm going to ask you to be very quiet and please excuse me from making you a long speech. I'll do the best I can, but you see, there's a bullet in my body. It's nothing. I'm not hurt badly."

For more than an hour he spoke. Then he was driven to the emergency hospital. An examination showed that the bullet had entered the fleshy part of the right breast, half way between the collar bone and the lower rib. It was determined to send for an X-ray machine to determine to what depth it had penetrated. While he waited for the machine, Colonel Roosevelt sat up and talked politics and joked with the surgeons. The X-ray examination, it was said, showed that the bullet had lodged in the chest wall and did not penetrate the lungs.

Mr. Roosevelt left for Chicago soon after midnight, saying that he would fulfil his engagements at Indianapolis after remaining a few hours in Chicago. He insisted that he was "feeling fine."

The Assailant.
The assailant, John Schrank, of East 10th St., New York, was subjected to a severe examination but would only answer, "I will tell you to-morrow."

It was evident from clippings found on his person that he had studied Mr. Roosevelt's movements very closely with the intention of deciding upon the place where the crime should take place. It was said that a short, dark man of forty, had made repeated attempts to enter the dining room of Mr. Roosevelt's hotel during dinner, and this report gave rise to the belief that there were two culprits concerned, for the description of the second man did not in any way apply to Schrank. The police were unable to obtain further evidence on this point. In addition to the clippings found on the prisoner, was a sketch of the Colonel's itinerary written on note-paper obtained from the Bismarck Hotel at Nashville, and, with this, the following proclamation:

"September 15, 1912. 1.30 A.M.—In a dream I saw President McKinley sit up in a monk's attire, in whom I recognised Theodore Roosevelt. The dead President said, 'This is my murderer; avenge my death.' While writing a poem, someone tapped me on the shoulder and said, 'Let not a murderer take the Presidential chair. Avenge my death.' I could plainly see Mr. McKinley's features. Before the Almighty God, I swear this above writing is nothing but the truth."

Another note read:—"So long as Japan could raise to the greatest power of the world, despite her surviving a tradition more than 2,000 years old, as General Nogi so nobly demonstrated, it is the duty of the United States of America to uphold the third term tradition. Let every third-term be regarded as a traitor to the American cause. Let it be the right and duty of every citizen to forcibly remove a third-term. Never let a third-term party emblem appear in the official ballot. I am willing to die for my country. God has called me to be his instrument so help me God."

(Signed) Innocent Guilty.
(The story will be continued in to-morrow's "Telegraph.")

WASTED WATER.

With reference to the article under the above heading which appeared in the "Telegraph" of November 12 we learn that the leakage at Wanchai, between the Hongkong Yacht Club and the Petroleum works, still continues; nor can we gather that any attempt is being made to remedy the matter.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The telegram quoted below received from the Manila Observatory by the American Consulate General Hongkong at 8 a.m. to-day:

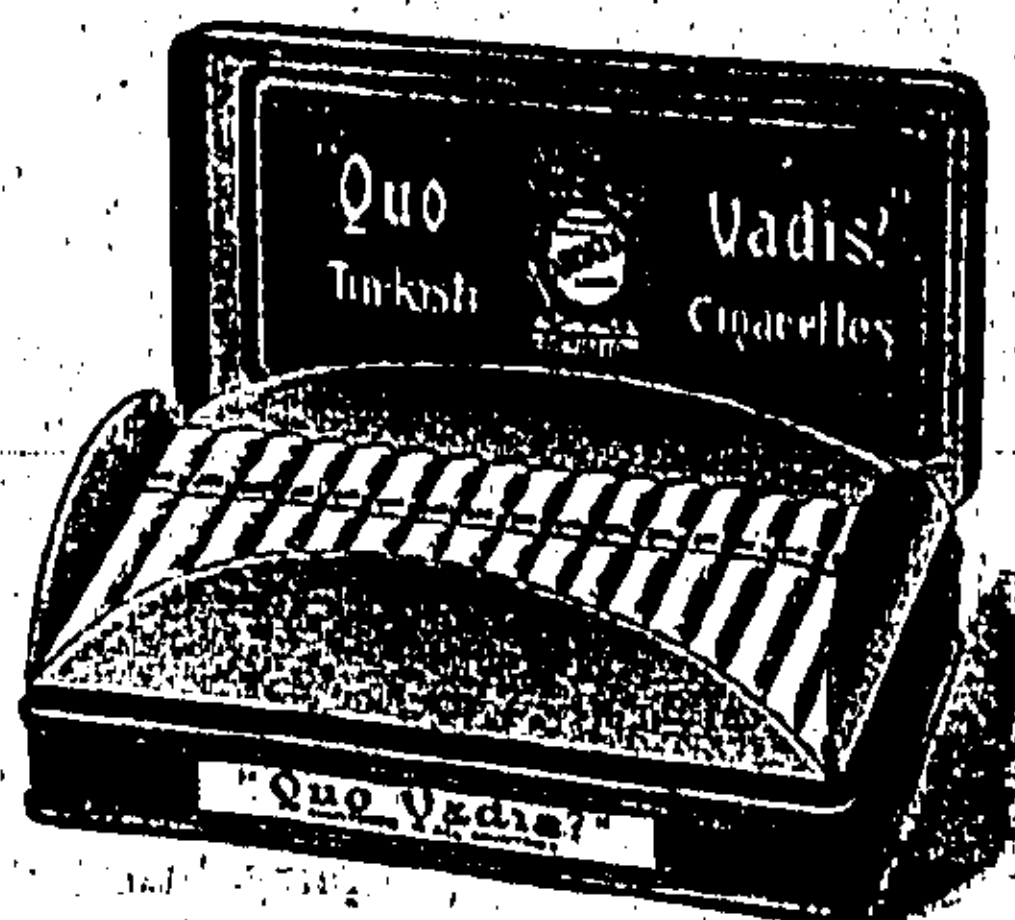
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THE INTERPORT MATCH.

Notes and Comments by a Casual Critic.

The Interport match is now a thing of the past, but the glory of Hongkong's brilliant achievement still remains.

There can be no doubt whatever that, on the general run of the play, Hongkong thoroughly proved themselves to be the better team, but—and there is considerable significance attaching to that word in this instance—even on the general run of the play events might very easily have shaped themselves altogether differently, so that Hongkong, instead of being credited at the close of their 1st innings with 417, would in actuality have found themselves the unfortunate possessors of a score of anything between 85 and 135 runs.

It may be answered "Yes anything may happen at cricket," as indeed I frankly admit to be the case, but I am dealing with the general run of the play as it occurred, and, as a fairly close observer, am satisfied that in the early stages of Hongkong's first innings it wanted but very little indeed for what I have foreshadowed as a possibility to have taken place in stern reality.

Sayer's Forcing Tactics.
It may be remembered that at the outset of the match Quayle, the Shanghai fast bowler, was sending down balls of precisely the character which are most likely to lead to a collapse, and with the luck on his side, instead of (as it was) against them, such a collapse was in the highest degree probable, and to my mind it was only thwarted by the fine forcing tactics of Sayer—genuinely aided by the stone-wall strategy of Elborough, who batted with the skill and assurance of a veteran. But all Elborough's fine defence would in my estimation have proved unavailing without the vigorous attack upon the bowling, which was made so effectively by Sayer. Finer "cricket" of its kind it has never been my lot to witness.

True, Sayer took risks—that he was bound to do. True he had the luck with him—that he thoroughly deserved—but he more than justified the grand old motto (which applies with equal force to cricket as to other matters) that "to attack is to defend," and, so far as the risk was concerned, the "and" fully warranted the "means." There is no denying the fact that Sayer at the critical moment hit the bowlers—Quayle especially—clean off their length, and when to this was added, in the first instance the fine defence, and latterly the scoring proclivities, of Elborough, but little wonder need be expressed at the grand total of the Hongkong innings.

Fatal Mistakes.
Granted that the Shanghai fieldsmen dropped chance after chance, yet what was it that most tended to cause this? Nothing so much as the forceful batting display of Sayer, and as time wore on of Elborough, and following them the brilliant example of the rest of the team, for it must be borne in mind that the Shanghai fielding was not only never slack, but that their ground work was ex-

ceptionally good. Added to this the Shanghai skipper made the fatal mistakes (1) of keeping on his fast bowler too long, and (2) of neglecting to change his bowlers when the state of the score and the trend of the play essentially demanded it. More than this, he refrained from putting on Anderson when there was a crying need for his services.

Bright Cricket.

Of the Hongkong batsmen, Hancock showed to great advantage. From the very first ball he received it was obvious that he was thoroughly at home, and his "timing" was dead true. His driving, too, was altogether excellent, and he was keeping the ball so well down, that up to the tiffin hour he seemed more than likely to secure a century. Unfortunately for him, and fortunately for Shanghai, the intervention of tiffin failed to improve matters for him, and he was out to a stroke which before tiffin he would in all probability never have made. Brighter cricket than that which took place while he was at the wickets could not be desired even by the most fastidious.

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CHEUNG CHAU AFFAIR.

Three Women in Custody.

Three women alleged to be connected with the Cheung Chau piracy, have been handed over to the Hongkong Police by the Macao authorities. A man is also in custody at Macao, in connection with the women, but he was too ill to be sent down this week-end with the women.

R.I.F.s AT CHURCH.

About three hundred of the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, under Capt. Kenny, led by a drum and file band marched to the church of The Rosary, Kowloon, yesterday morning, when the Rev. Fr. Spada celebrated a special mass at ten o'clock for the soldiers. The sight of the men on the march to bright music was a pretty one and was witnessed by many Kowloon residents.

Filipino Students in Chicago.
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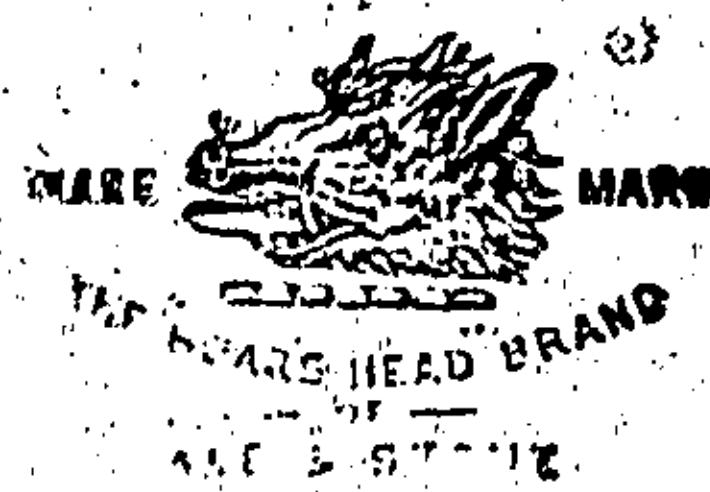
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LOG BOOK.

Dairan Quarantine Examination To The Abolished.

The technical examination of the discharges of ships' passengers and crews arriving from Japan at Dairan was to be terminated on the 10th inst. The "Manchuria Daily News" says:—The authorities have felt it quite safe to abolish this effective, but rather embarrassing procedure of quarantine, seeing that few fresh cases of cholera now occur in Japan and, besides, the weather has become so cold as to deprive the cholera bacteria of their power of transmission. It may be of interest to many to learn that the expenses incurred by the Marine Office, Dairan, for disinfecting and other preventive purposes have reached about Y5,000 since the arrival of a fatal cholera case in the s.s. Nishio Maru near the end of last August. The losses suffered by the Osaka Shosen Kaisha due to the quarantine detention of ships, passengers, and crews are put at about Y8,000.

Rescue in the North Atlantic.

The Imperial Merchant Service Guild has received at its Liverpool offices from Captain William Loisk, a member of the Guild, extracts from the log of the London steamer Tiverton relating to the rescue of the crew of a ship in the North Atlantic. On Saturday, October 5, the schooner Henry Weiler, bound from Darion to New York with a cargo of lumber, was struck by a hurricane. The vessel filled and rolled over, the crew getting on to her side. The deck load was washed away, and as the vessel righted herself the spars were lost. The crew crawled back on deck and remained there until the following Tuesday without food or water. When then sighted by the Tiverton, which stood by in the hope that the gale would moderate. Oil was thrown on the water and a boat was launched with a volunteer crew. It was impossible to take the boat alongside the waterlogged vessel, but a line was thrown, lifeboats were hauled aboard, and her crew, several of whom were helpless, were hauled through the water to the boat. When the boat returned to the Tiverton it was smashed against the side of the ship, but all the occupants were taken on board. When left the wreck was in lat. 33.20 N. and long. 75.51 W., and lay in the track of steamers to and from the Gulf of Mexico.

Marine Underwriters' New Programme.

Important resolutions were unanimously passed by a large meeting of underwriters on October 14, laying for their object an improvement in marine insurance business. The agreement provides, in the first place, that all policies on steamers must contain a clause limiting the amount effected ("disbursements") to 15 per cent. of the insured value. The chief interest in this clause is that it goes right to one of the roots of the so-called "over-insurance" which has figured so largely during the past few years in British wreck inquiries. The second part of the programme relates to the value of shipping insured against all risks and to rates of premium it provides that there shall be (1) an aggregate increase of 15 per cent. in the total value of each fleet, such increase to be proportioned as may be agreed, or an aggregate increase of 10 per cent. in the values, and 5 per cent. in the rate of premium, or where the value is not increased at all, the premium is to be increased by 10 per cent. On the other hand, there is a provision that should the value be increased by more than 15 per cent. an equivalent reduction may be made in the premium. Finally, it is agreed that the underwriters shall not make any reduction in rates except in so far as the above provisions permit. The agreement is supported by the leading British marine insurance companies and by a very large number of active underwriters at Lloyd's. The provisions at present apply to vessels other than liners, but not improbably there may be an extension of them later to regular liners.

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LOG BOOK.

N. Y. K.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha has placed orders for two 12,000 tons steamers with the Mitsui Bishi Dockyard and Engine Works, Nagasaki. The keel of one will be laid down in April of next year and that of the other in July. These vessels were referred to recently in our columns as intended for service on the European line; the order for a third vessel will probably be placed with the Kawasaki Dockyard, Kobe.

Montreal Harbour Board.
Major G. W. Stephens announces that he has sent his resignation as Chairman of the Montreal Harbour Board to the Canadian Minister of Marine, to take effect at the end of the year. The "Times" Toronto correspondent says that there has been much friction over the constitution of the Board ever since the Borden Government came into office, and that the quarrel amongst local politicians over patronage is assumed to be responsible for the resignation.

Slipways for Pandacan.
It is reported that the Manila Navigation and Transportation Co. have arranged a contract with the Atlantic Gulf & Pacific Company to build two modern slipways for them in the latter's yards at Pandacan. These slipways are intended only for light class work such as launches and lighters. The best materials and most modern machinery is to be used in the construction. The new branch of the railroad which is in course of construction from Pandacan to the new port will pass close to the back of the slipways. The date of completion of this work has not yet been announced.

Another Steamer to be Registered at Dairen.
Mr. S. Fukagawa, of Kobe, the owner of the S.S. Daihai Maru, is reported to have recently purchased another steamer, Otto Berg, from the Northern S. S. Co., Ltd., St. Petersburg, and has rechristened her the Daihoku Maru. She is due at Dairen about the latter part of next December from Kobe where she will be taken delivery of by the new owner. The Daihoku Maru was built in 1887 and has a gross tonnage of 3,386 tons and a net tonnage of 3,022 tons.

Cleared Turbine Steamer.
The first of three turbine steamers built by Messrs. A. and J. Inglis (Limited) for the South Indian Railway Company was launched at the Pointhouse Shipyard, Glasgow, last month. These steamers have been designed to carry on a ferry service which the railway company are about to establish between Dhangshokodi,

in the island of Rameswaram, on the Indian side, and Talamasur, in the island of Mandar, on the Ceylon side. At each of these places two piers are to be constructed for the accommodation of the railway trains, and passengers and goods will be transferred directly between the trains and the steamers. When the monsoon changes the ferry steamers will proceed to the lee-side of Adam's Bridge, through the Pamban Pass, and in this manner, a practically smooth-water service will be secured at all seasons of the year. The distance to be run between the piers is approximately the same as from Dover to Calais, but for a considerable portion of that distance the new steamers will run in comparatively shallow water. The time to be occupied in making the passage has been fixed at about 75 minutes. In order to fulfil the conditions, required, and to attain the desired speed on a comparatively shallow draught which was necessarily accepted, Sir William White, who acted as consulting naval architect to the railway company, prepared designs for steamers having a length overall of about 260ft., a breadth of 34ft., and a total depth to the promenade deck of nearly 19ft., the gross tonnage being rather less than 700 tons. In addition to an unusually large number of transverse watertight bulkheads, horizontal platforms have been constructed for considerable lengths forward and aft, forming double bottoms, which will give great additional security. The propelling machinery will consist of two sets of geared turbines of the latest Parsons type; one high pressure and one low pressure being coupled to each of two shafts by means of machine-cut gears, each shaft driving one of the twin screws. This gearing has been made by the Parsons Marine Steam Turbine Company to the order of Messrs. Inglis. The turbines will run at about 3,000 r.p.m., a speed which will give a high turbine efficiency, while by means of the mechanical reducing gear the propellers will be revolved at a much less speed and secure greater propulsive efficiency. In each low-pressure turbine casing an astern turbine of high power is incorporated. The boilers are of the Yarrow type, constructed by Messrs. Yarrow. Arrangements will be made for burning either Indian coal or oil fuel as may be decided hereafter. The fact that Indian coal may have to be employed on this comparatively fast service has involved much larger dimensions in the boilers than would have sufficed with superior qualities of coal such as are used in British cross-Channel steamers.

Notice to Mariners.
The "Mauchuria Daily News" learns that the S. M. R. Co.'s liner Saikio Maru was the first vessel to desecry, on the 27th ult., while on her outward trip to Shanghai, a large capsized junk at 34 deg. 48 ft. N.L. and 122 deg. 34 ft. E.L. The bottom of the junk was seen five feet above water. The derelict was sighted by the O. N. Co.'s s.s. Shansi on October 28th at 2 p.m. at 122 deg. 33.1-2 ft. E.L. and 34 deg. 25 ft. N.L. She reported the stern showing about four feet above water and part of deckhouse apparently standing erect, from which it would appear that the craft is water-logged, and not capsized.

Casualties of the great Typhoon.
The following is the full list of casualties to shipping during the typhoon in Japan on September 22:—Shinko Maru (steam trawler), stranded on rocks in Sago Strait, Inland Sea; subsequently floated with assistance. Yodo Maru, steamer, cargo of coals, sank off Kii Province, with heavy loss of life. Shinno Maru, steamer, grounded at Nagoya. Aikawa Maru, steamer, left Muroran on September 22, due at Kamashii on the following day, had not arrived on September 27. Banzei Maru, steamer, sank in Tsugara Strait. Yuhiko Maru, steamer, collided with Kannon Maru No.

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London and Antwerp via Singapore, &c.	Noro	P. & O. Co.	27 Nov., about
Havre and Hamburg, &c.	Alesia	H. A. L.	24 December
Havre, Rotterdam and Hamburg, &c.	Bayern	H. A. L.	2 December
Havre, Bremen and Hamburg, &c.	Liberia	H. A. L.	15 December
Bremen, Hamburg and Antwerp, &c.	Sithonia	H. A. L.	21 November
Marseilles, London, &c.	Iyo Maru	N. Y. K.	20 November
Marseilles and Hamburg, &c.	Segovia	H. A. L.	18 December
Cape Ports via Mauritius	Danerie	Bank Line	Begin January
Rotterdam and Hamburg, &c.	Aragonia	H. A. L.	23 November
Trieste via Singapore, Penang & Colombo, &c.	Bohemia	S. W. & Co.	19 November
Trieste, Fiume, Venice via Singapore, &c.	Nippon	S. W. & Co.	3 Dec., about
Naples, Genoa, Algiers, Gibraltar, Southampton	York	M. & Co.	27 November

New York, San Francisco and Canada.

Boston and New York via Suez Canal	City of Baroda	Bank Line	25 Nov., about
Baltimore and New York via Suez Canal	Indrakula	J. M. & Co.	6 December
New York	Erroll	D. & Co.	14 Dec., about
New York, via Suez Canal	Sandon Hall	Bank Line	5 December
San Francisco via Shanghai and Japan	Siberia	P. M. Co.	3 December
do do do do	Shinyo Maru	T. K. K.	26 November
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Victoria, Vancouver, &c.	Ockley	Bank Line	17 December
Victoria, B.C., and Seattle via Shanghai, &c.	Inaba Maru	N. Y. K.	19 November
Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma via Japan, &c.	Chicago Maru	O. S. K.	28 November
Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma via Keelung, &c.	Canada Maru	O. S. K.	10 December
Vancouver	Monteagle	O. P. R. Co.	14 December
Vancouver, &c.	Lord Curzon	Bank Line	20 November
Mexico, Peruvian and Chili via Japan	Hongkong Maru	T. K. K.	3 December

Australia.

Australian Ports	Nikko Maru	N. Y. K.	22 November
do do	Taiyuan	B. & S.	28 November
Australian Ports via Manila	Prinz Sigismund	M. & Co.	30 November
do do do	Empire	G. L. & Co.	7 December

Singapore, Coast Ports and Japan.

Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, &c.	Tjitaroom	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
Kudat and Sandakan	Borneo	M. & Co.	Middle November
Bombay via Singapore and Colombo	Sanuki Maru	N. Y. K.	30 November
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Fooksang	J. M. & Co.	23 November
do do do	Jelunga	D. S. & Co.	1 December
Singapore, Penang, Rangoon and Calcutta	Jinsen Maru	N. Y. K.	30 November
Singapore and Sourabaya	Chunsang	J. M. & Co.	19 November
Japan	Tjiliwang	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
Kobe and Yokohama	Kamo Maru	N. Y. K.	21 November
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Kumano Maru	N. Y. K.	20 November
Yokohama and Kobe	Okara	J. M. & Co.	24 November
do do	Prinz Waldemar	M. & Co.	10 Dec., about
Yokohama and Kobe via Shanghai	Persia	S. W. & Co.	30 November
Kwang-chow-wang and Haiphong	Si-Kiang	M. M. Co.	20 November
Anping and Toka via Swatow and Amoy	Soshu Maru	O. S. K.	27 November
Tamsui via Swatow and Amoy	Daijin Maru	H. A. L.	24 November
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haitan	D. L. & Co.	19 November
do do	Haiyang	D. L. & Co.	22 November
do do	Haiching	D. L. & Co.	26 November
Foochow via Swatow and Amoy	Kaijo Maru	O. S. K.	20 November
Manila	Yuansang	J. M. & Co.	23 November
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Kaifong	B. & S.	19 November
Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu	Zafiro	S. T. & Co.	7 December
do do do	Rubi	S. T. & Co.	27 November
Shanghai and Japan	Thongwa	D. S. & Co.	30 November
do do	Ceylon	A. N. & Co.	21 November
Shanghai and Kobe	Colombo Maru	N. Y. K.	25 November
Shanghai, Moji and Kobe	Wakasa Maru	N. Y. K.	20 November
Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe and Moji	Canton	A. N. & Co.	6 Dec., about
Shanghai, Kobe and Moji	Namsang	J. M. & Co.	19 November
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Monmouthshire	J. M. & Co.	30 November
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Luetzow	M. & Co.	27 Nov., about
Shanghai	Tjilatjap	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
do	Tjibodas	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
do	Devanha	P. & O. Co.	21 November
do	Anhui	B. & S.	23 November

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Hongkong, 4th Nov. 1912. (187)

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THE Steamship

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From	Vessel
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AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. China sailed from San Francisco for Hongkong via Honolulu, the Japan ports and Shanghai on Saturday, the 2nd inst.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. Manchuria with the American Mail left San Francisco on Saturday, the 9th inst., for Hongkong via Honolulu the Japan ports and Shanghai.

The T. K. K. s.s. Chiyu Maru leaves San Francisco for Hongkong on the 15th inst., and is due here on the 16th prox.

The T. K. K. s.s. Nippon Maru left Yokohama for Honolulu on the 9th inst., and is expected to arrive at San Francisco on the 25th inst.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. Siberia sailed for Hongkong via Manila from Yokohama on Wednesday, the 14th inst., between noon, and 2 p.m. Her mails have been transferred to the s.s. Nikko Maru.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. Korea will sail from Hongkong for Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco at 1 p.m., on Wednesday, the 20th inst.

ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Devanha left Singapore for this port on the 18th inst., at noon with the outward English Mail, and is due here on the 21st inst., at about 4 p.m.

GERMAN MAIL.

The I. G. M. s.s. Eclow which left here on Wednesday, the 14th ult., at 11 a.m., arrived at Genoa on Monday, the 11th inst., at 1 p.m.

The I. G. M. s.s. Prinz Waldemar left Sydney on Saturday, the 16th inst., at 11 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 5th December.

CANADIAN MAIL.

The U. P. R. Co.'s s.s. Empress of India left Yokohama for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., on Tuesday, the 5th inst., at noon.

The U. P. R. Co.'s s.s. Montegle left Vancouver, B.C., for Hongkong (via usual ports of call) on Thursday, the 7th inst., a.m.

FRENCH MAIL.

The M. M. s.s. Paul Locat, with the outward French mail, will leave for Europe on the 19th inst., at 1 p.m.

AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The E. & A. s.s. Empire, from Sydney etc., left Port Darwin on the 11th inst., for Manila and Hongkong.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The Barber Line s.s. Wray Castle sailed from New York on the 18th August, for Hongkong via the Straits.

The Bank Line s.s. Polaris sailed from New York on the American and Oriental Line service for Far Eastern ports via Suez Canal on the 5th inst.

The Mogul Line s.s. Lorat, sailed from the United Kingdom on the 28th October for the Far East via the Straits.

The N. Y. K. s.s. Tosa Maru Calcutta Line, left Moji for this port on the 14th inst., and is expected here on the 19th inst.

The N. Y. K. s.s. Shidzuka Maru American Line, left Kobe for this port via ports on the 16th inst., and is expected here on the 24th inst.

The N. Y. K. s.s. Nikko Maru Australia Line, left Nagasaki for this port on the 16th inst., and is expected here on the 19th inst.

The N. Y. K. s.s. Kamo Maru European Line, left Singapore for this port on the 14th inst., and is expected here on the 19th inst.

The N. Y. K. s.s. Colombo Maru Calcutta Line, for this port via ports on the 6th inst., and is expected here on the 25th inst.

The Shire Line s.s. Moonthshire, from London, is due at Hongkong on the 30th inst. She passed Canal on the 28th ult.

The Danish s.s. Indina is expected here on or about the 28th inst.

The R. V. F. s.s. Ekatarinoslav left Colombo on the 11th inst., and is expected to arrive at Hongkong on the 26th inst., having most likely on the same day for Nagasaki and Vladivostok.

The T. K. K. s.s. Hongkong Maru left Moji for Hongkong on the 15th inst., and is expected here on the 19th inst.

The T. K. K. s.s. Kiyo Maru arrived at Callao from Iquique on the 13th inst., and left again for Salina Cruz on the 15th inst., where she is due on the 24th inst.

The T. K. K. s.s. Bujo Maru arrived at Manzanillo from Honolulu on the 18th inst., and leaves on the 19th inst., for Salina Cruz.

The Swedish East Asiatic Co.'s s.s. Ceylon left Suez on the 24th ult., and is expected to arrive here on or about the 19th inst.

VESSELS IN PORT.

STEAMERS.

Binh Thuan, Fr. s.s., 784, D. Varaine, 15th Nov.—Sourabaya 1st Nov, Sug.—B. & Co.
Choising, Br. s.s., 1,018, J. Bruho, 16th Nov.—Sourabaya 3rd Nov, Sugar.—B. & S.
Dainichi Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,953, T. Nakamura, 16th Nov.—Moji 9th Nov., Coal.—M. B. K.
Fook Sang, Br. s.s., 2,015, S. A. Mitchell, 16th Nov.—Moji 11th Nov., Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Germania, Ger. s.s., O. Topson, 14th Nov.—Palau 7th Nov., Copra.—B. & Co.
Hanoi, Fr. s.s., 799, G. Bonhier, 15th Nov.—Haiphong via Pakhoi 14th Nov., Gen.—A. R. Marty.
Hongmoh, Br. s.s., 2,055, Bainbridge, 15th Nov.—Singapore 7th Nov, Gen.—Joo Teck Sing.
Inaba Maru, Jap. s.s., 6,183, S. Tominga, 10th Nov.—Shanghai 7th Nov., Flour, etc.—N. Y. K.
Kaifong, Br. s.s., 1,025, J. V. Sidford, 15th Nov.—Manila 12th Nov, Gen.—B. & S.
Kaijo Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,298, Y. Yamamoto, 16th Nov.—Swatow 15th Nov., Gen.—O. S. K.
Keong Wai, Ger. s.s., 1,115, J. Kohler, 15th Nov.—Bangkok and Swatow 14th Nov., Rice.—B. & S.
Kores, Am. s.s., 5,651, A. W. Nelson, 8th Nov.—San Francisco via Ports 12th Oct., Mail and Gen.—P. M. Co.
Laertes, Br. s.s., 1,340, Page, 23rd Oct.—Saigon 17th Oct., Gen.—Wo Fat Sing.
Lyceoon, Ger. s.s., 1,254, Holhoff, 18th Nov.—Saigon 10th Nov, Gen.—Chinese.
Marie, Ger. s.s., 1,169, Schalkin, 14th Nov.—Singapore and Hollow 18th Nov, Gen.—J. & Co.
Paofing, Br. s.s., 1,078, Barkas, 9th Nov.—Orton 8th Nov, Gen.—B. & S.
Phranang, Ger. s.s., 1,741, F. C. Rohrer, 11th Nov.—Manila 7th Nov, Ballast.—N. D. L.
Rohila, Br. Transport, 4,240, 12th Nov. Southampton.
Samson, Ger. s.s., 998, Peterien, 16th Nov.—Hollow 14th Nov, Gen.—B. & S.
Shinyo Maru, Jap. s.s., 7,226, H. S. Smith, 16th Nov.—San Francisco 19th Oct., Mail and Gen.—T. K. K.
Thor, Nor. s.s., 2,858, Carl Cornelius, 18th Nov.—Tacoma, U.S.A. 3rd Oct., Flour.—Order.
Zafiro, Am. s.s., 2,02, P. E. Crow, 16th Nov.—Manila 19th Nov, Sugar and Hemp.—B. & Co.

BOXING.

Men Set Rules Aside and Fight.

Prophetic inspiration was shown by the individual who compiled the programme for the boxing which took place at the City Hall on Saturday night when he headed the bill "extraordinary bouts," as nothing more entitled to be designated "extraordinary" than the meeting of Richards and Sky Kerrison has ever taken place in the history of boxing in this Colony.

The house was poorly filled when Hugh Mackintosh, the promoter, introduced to the ring, Kid Murriott and Seaman Hall, Mr. J. Dempsey, the referee, tendering an apology for the absence of Pto. Mayall, K.O.Y.L.I. who was billed to meet Murriott, and for whom Hall acted as a substitute. One did not expect the theatre to be so well filled as on a "Cook" night, but on the face value of the programme, and the enthusiasm shown on Thursday, at Murray Barracks, when inter-regimental contests were fought, it could be reasonably expected that there would be a good muster of spectators.

The time keepers were Messrs. T. Pitt and C. Bond.

The Murriott-Hall combat was a tame affair and at the conclusion when the former was declared the winner it was announced that the loser would fight the winner for a side stake of \$50, and this challenge was accepted. Worthington and Mc Ghee were the first to occupy the ring and it can safely be stated that what either knew of boxing will never bring him an invitation from the National Sporting Club. Of the two Worthington showed decidedly more knowledge of the fist art, Mc Ghee being a slogger, plucky nevertheless, and a man who cared little for such punishment as his opponent could deal out to him. Worthington secured the verdict on points.

An event which one would always pay \$5 to see was that in which Ott, R. I. F. knocked out Howell, R.M.L.I. From the sound of the gong it was clear that Howell had more than he could cater for, and in the second round Ott put the result beyond doubt by "outing" Howell in his corner with one of the cleanest right hooks one could wish to see. The winner was loudly applauded and deserved it.

The bout between Dean, H. M. S. Kent and Stoker Scott, H. M. S. Otter, was a very hard fought one but neither pretty nor instructive from the boxing point of view. Scott showed considerable pluck in lasting the six rounds, as he suffered much punishment and, in the third round, bled profusely from the side of the head, behind the left ear. The referee, however, gave the verdict as a draw, though it appeared that Dean was all out a winner. Scott was the substitute for Seaman Latham H. M. S. Rosario, who, it was stated, had dislocated his thumb.

Then came the finale, Pte Richards, K.O.Y.L.I. and Sky Kerrison, H.M.S. Kent entered the ring for a ten round bout. An American sailor wanted to back Kerrison for \$30 and, failing an acceptor, to bet \$20 that Richards would not stay the distance. From the commencement it appeared that there was some ill feeling between the contestants as Sky Kerrison in the first five seconds said to his opponent, "If you want a dirty fight, I'll give you one," and rushed at Richards infuriated. Neither man played the game, and the referee cautioned them twice. In the second round, dirty work on both sides was pointed out, and the referee exclaimed "fight as you like; let the best man win," and left matters to the two who were rubbing about street corner fashion and hitting high, low, and as they pleased. Eventually Richards was knocked out, Kerrison was declared the winner but "it" was announced to the audience that though Kerrison had won neither of the men would receive any money as they had failed to conform to the rules and regulations of boxing.

Kerrison afterwards challenged any man in Hongkong at his weight 150-160 lbs. and Iron Box on behalf of seaman Summers, of the U.S. Navy, a coloured man accepted the challenge. But also challenged the winner of the

Morgan-Potter contest, for a side bet of \$300. Potter replied that if he won he would accept the challenge.

Corgan of the R.I. F. who was billed to meet Pte Potter K.O.Y.L.I. was unavoidably absent, and Pte Morgan R.I. F. fought in his stead. The men were announced to go fifteen rounds but in the twelfth Morgan was knocked out. The fight was a good one in so much as Morgan was not in anything like the condition which Potter enjoyed, and as the latter himself admitted, it was the toughest fight he had ever had. Morgan not only fought gamely but he proved to be what Potter has never yet shown himself to be—a two handed fighter. Potter undoubtedly has a useful left, but his right is deplorably weak, and it was quite obvious that Morgan, had he been through anything like the careful training that Potter has had during the last few weeks, would not only have stayed the distance but in all probability would have turned the tables. Potter adopts the Battling Nelson style but whilst Nelson could bring both his hands into play whenever he thought fit, Potter has just about as much as he can do to make his left useful. A plainer style, and some exercise of the right either on the bag or the hall, is what Potter sorely needs before he can claim to be a really good fighter.

CHINA AND LOANS.

Views of a Celebrated French Financier.

By the French mail "Paul Lecat" one of the foremost financiers of France arrived in Hongkong from Shanghai to-day, and in an interview with a representative of the "Telegraph" he said: "The situation in China is a deadlock. The reason why it is so difficult for China to obtain a loan at this time is because of the crisis in the Balkans. European money is tied up, and the public are afraid to invest until they are reasonably certain of a fair return on their money. 'I do not see any possibility of foreign intervention at present,' our informant continued, 'but it is possible that if such intervention occurs it will be a question of cutting corners.' 'Tibet for England's share, Mongolia as Russia's prerogative, and also Manchuria.' Continuing, our informant said: 'I think that the Japanese are very anxious to control' China, but I must add that it is absolutely impossible for them to do so. Local conditions, and the Sextuple group viz: France, England, Germany, Japan, Russia and America, show an impregnable front.

"And this Sextuple Combination is the one that has so far blocked any single firm of banker's loan to China.

"I have no conception of the attitude of the Rothschilds in the matter of a Chinese loan, or as far as that goes, what their ideas of China are.

"I do not know how long I shall remain here, as I wish to visit Canton and Macao. The scenes, however, are charming, and when I first saw the city of Hongkong this morning through the thin veils of fog, I was delighted."

When the "Telegraph" representative asked his opinion of the chances of a war between England and Germany, the Baron said: "Not at present, at least. Commercial affairs are too important to risk enormous losses for little gain. But"—the Baron added—"should there be a war, it is impossible to foresee the results."

Speaking of his voyage on the new French ship "Paul Lecat," the Baron said that he found the service excellent, the food good and the officers most courteous and attentive.

Monsieur Vernon accompanies the Baron in his tour of financial investigation.

No Light.

A whole block of residential flats in Nathan Road, Kowloon, was plunged into darkness on Saturday night owing to the failure of the electric lighting supply. Attempts to remedy the evil were of no avail, and residents had perforce to be content with illumination by lamp or candle. Connection was restored yesterday afternoon.

POST OFFICE.

MAILS ARRIVED TO-DAY.

Europe etc., s.s. E. Simons.
 Mails via Siberia.
 Lst. London 30 Nov. 16
 Nov. 8 Nov. 13

MAILS DUE.

American, Nikko Maru, 19th inst.
 Siberian, Anhui, 20th inst.
 English, Derantha, 21st inst.
 American, Chiyo Maru, 16th prox.

The s.s. Anhui is expected to arrive here on Wednesday the 20th inst. with the London Mails via Siberia of Wednesday and Friday the 30th ult. and 1st inst.

The s.s. Derantha with the English Mail left Singapore on Saturday the 16th inst. at noon and may be expected to arrive here on Thursday the 21st inst. at 4 p.m. This packet brings the Parcel Mail closed in London for despatch by the all sea route on the 16th Oct. and for despatch overland on the 23rd ult.

MAILS CLOSE.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Italian, 19th Nov., 10 a.m.
 Shanghai, North China and Japan via Mei, Victoria and Seattle—Per Inaba-maru, 19th Nov., 10 a.m.
 Shanghai and North China—Per Hongsang, 19th Nov., 10 a.m.
 Straits and Sumbawa—Per Chunsang, 19th Nov., 10 a.m.
 Shanghai and North China and Japan via Kobe—Per Nam-sang, 19th Nov., 10 a.m.
 Pakhoi and Haiphong—Per Hanoi, 19th Nov., 10 a.m.
 Swatow and Tientsin—Per Chipping, 19th Nov., 10 a.m.

Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) (Late Letter 11.00 a.m. to Noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.)—Per Paul Lecat, 19th Nov., 11 a.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 19th Nov., 1.15 p.m.

Philippine Islands—Per Kaifong, 19th Nov., 3 p.m.

Straits and Ceylon—Per Bohemia, 19th Nov., 4 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Kaijo-maru, 20th Nov., 9 a.m.

Haiphong, Haiphong Pakhoi and Saigon—Per Sangking, 20th Nov., 9 a.m.

Swatow—Per Haimun, 20th Nov., 10 a.m.

Shanghai, North China, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, Canada, United States and South America via San Francisco (Europe via Siberia)—Per Korea, 20th Nov., noon.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 20th Nov., 1.15 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Ningpo, 21st Nov., 3 p.m.

Tientsin—Per Kwetcho, 21st Nov., 3 p.m.

Shanghai and North China (Europe via Siberia)—Per Derantha, 21st Nov., 5 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Hainan, 22nd Nov., 1.15 p.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 22nd Nov., 1.15 p.m.

Straits, Burmah, Ceylon, 4 de laide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via Brindisi. (Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Supplementary mail on board up to the limit fixed for departure of the mail (Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) "No Parcel Mail will be closed on Friday, the 22nd Nov., at 5 p.m.—Per Assaye, 23rd Nov., 11 a.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Hainan, 23rd Nov., 1 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Anhui, 23rd Nov., 5 p.m.

Japan via Yokohama—Per Okura, 23rd Nov., 5 p.m.

Swatow—Per Haimun, 24th Nov., 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Hainan, 26th Nov., 10 a.m.

Philippine Islands—Per Taming, 28th Nov., 8 p.m.

Straits, Burmah, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Brindisi. (Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Supplementary mail on board up to the limit fixed for departure of the mail (Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) "No Parcel Mail will be closed on Friday, the 22nd Nov., at 5 p.m.—Per Assaye, 23rd Nov., 11 a.m.

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SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Landrat, Scheiff, Ger. s.s., 1,016, O. Bruger, 16th Nov.—Bangkok 8th and Swatow 16th Nov. Gen.—S. & Co.
 Dakotah, Br. s.s., 2,593, W. A. Ross, 16th Nov.—Swatow 15th Nov. Bulk oil—S. O. Co.

Scandia, Ger. s.s., 4,800, M. Knaral, 16th Nov.—Shanghai 18th Nov. Gen.—H. A. L.
 Fukai Maru, Jap. s.s., 4,185, H. Tomi-naka, 17th Nov.—Mojito 12th Nov. Coal—M. B. K.
 Namsang, Br. s.s., 2,591, H. E. Gilroy, 16th Nov.—Calcutta 1st Nov. Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Siella, Br. s.s., 4,184, O. H. Watkins, s.s., 16th Nov.—Antwerp and London 5th Oct. Gen.—P. & O.
 Chihli, Br. s.s., 1,800, F. McGarthy, 18th Nov.—Wuhan 12th Nov. Rice—B. & S.
 Sangking Br. s.s., 987, E. Finlayson, 17th Nov.—Haiphong via Hoihow 18th Nov. Gen.—B. & S.

Laitan, Br. s.s., 1,182, J. S. Roach, 17th Nov.—Fochow, Amoy and Swatow 16th Nov. Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Hongkong Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,477, Sugara, 17th Nov.—Mojito 12th Nov. Coal—T. K. K.

Chinhua Br. s.s., 1,849, Hobbs, 17th Nov.—Shanghai 14th Nov. Gen.—B. & S.

Huichow, Br. s.s., 1,217, G. Hooker, 17th Nov.—Canton 16th Nov. Gen.—B. & S.

Estaria, Br. s.s., 2,148, E. Jones, 17th Nov.—Balik Papan 10th Nov. Bulk oil—A. P. Co.

Si Kiang, Fr. s.s., 815, E. de Catalano, 17th Nov.—Haiphong 18th Nov. Gen.—M. M.

Daikie Rickmer, Ger. s.s., 2,656, A. Rupp, 17th Nov.—Antwerp 26th Sept.

Paul Lecat, Fr. s.s., 12,988, Lancelin, 18th Nov.—Shanghai 16th Nov. Gen.—M. M.

Ernest Simons, Fr. s.s., 2,890, P. Brunt, 18th Nov.—Marseilles and Saigon 16th Nov. Amoy, Mail and Gen.—M. M.

Chip Shing, Br. s.s., 1,199, Mooney, 18th Nov.—Canton 17th Nov. Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Hongsang, Br. s.s., 1,850, S. Wilde, 18th Nov.—Canton 17th Nov. Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Rajah, Ger. s.s., 1,275, O. Rosinsky, 18th Nov.—Canton 17th Nov. Fallat—M. B. K.

Kumaso Maru, Jap. s.s., 5,076, M. Winkler, 18th Nov.—Manila 15th Nov. Copper—N. Y. K.

Lei Sang Br. s.s., 2,225, E. J. Tadd, 18th Nov.—Mojito 13th Nov. Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Clara Jensen, Ger. s.s., 1,103, A. P. Ulderup, 18th Nov.—Hongkong 16th Nov. Coal—J. & Co.

Choy Sang, Br. s.s., 1,424, M. Courtney, 18th Nov.—Shanghai and 14th Nov. Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Iyo Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,918, S. Hirose, 18th Nov.—Shanghai 16th Nov. Gen.—N. Y. K.

CLEANANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Nov. 18.

Yi Loong, for Saigon.

Scandia, for Hamburg.

Nov. 18.

Dakotah, for San Francisco.

Raj, for Port Wallut.

Chihli, for Canton.

Chipsang, for Canton.

Chipsang, for Tientsin.

Mausang, for Sandakan.

Chinhua, for Canton.

Chiyan, for Canton.

Nov. 18.

Mausang, for Sandakan.

Chihli, for Shanghai.

Chipsang, for Tientsin.

Petchabul, for Tegal.

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WEATHER REPORT.

On the 18th at 10.55.—The anticyclone has strengthened slightly. It is now central over Japan. Another anticyclone will probably develop over China.

Pressure is nearly stationary over the southern districts. Moderate monsoon is indicated along the East coast of China, and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District: Forecast: 1 Hongkong and Neighbourhood N.E. winds, moderate; fine.

2 Formosa Channel N.E. winds, fresh.

3 South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamook No. 1. The same as H'kong & Hainan. No. 1.

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CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER. 18th November, a.m.

18th November, A.M.						
Station.	Hour.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Direction.	Force.
W'ostock	7 a	30.10	77	88	SW	6
Nemuro	6 a	30.48	—	—	SW	4
Hakodate	—	30.48	—	—	—	0
Tokio	—	30.44	—	—	SW	1
Kochi	—	30.37	—	—	SW	1
Nagasaki	—	30.17	—	—	SW	1
K'shima	—	30.17	—	—	SW	2
Oshima	—	—	—	—	—	—
Naha	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ishijima	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bonin Is.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chefoo	—	30.17	38.81	—	NW	5
W'haiwei	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hankow	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kiukiang	—	30.23	50.73	—	SW	3
Shanghai	—	30.10	61	—	NW	4
Guizhou	—	30.10	61	—	—	—
Sharp P.	7 a	30.14	68	—	—	0
Amoy	6 a	30.15	67	88	W	8
Swatow	7 a	30.10	64	94	—	0
Taihu	5 a	30.06	—	—	SW	1
Taihu	—	—	30.08	—	—	0
Tainan	—	—	30.06	—	N	4
Koshun	—	—	30.02	—	N	4
P'oots	—	—	30.06	—	N	6
Anton	9 a	—	—	—	—	—
H'kong	6 a	30.06	70.81	—	—	0
V. Peak	7 a	—	—	—	NW	2
Gap Rock	6 a	30.05	—	—	N	8
Macao	—	30.05	68	—	—	0
Wuchow	9 a	—	—	—	—	—
Hoihow	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pakhoi	—	—	—	—	—	—
Phulia	6 a	30.06	70	—	N	8
Touane	—	29.98	78	—	—	0
C. St. J.	—	29.91	73	—	NW	2
Apurri	—	29.94	—	—	—	—
Manila	—	29.90	—	—	—	—
Legaspi	—	29.88	—	—	—	0
Bacolod	9 a	—	—	—	—	—
Loilo	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cebu	—	—	—	—	—	—
L. buan	—	29.87	85	—	—	—

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

Hongkong, Observatory, Nov. 18.

1 Barometer, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2 Temperature, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.

3 Humidity, in percentage of saturation.

4 Direction of Wind, to two points.

5 Force of Wind, according to Beaufort Scale.

6 State of Weather, b blue sky, c detached cloud, d drizzling rain, f fog, g gloomy, h hail, i lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squally, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, w dew (wet).

0 Rain in inches, tenths and hundredths.